

In recent years we have seen ownership rules relaxed to the point only major players own media (some exceptions still exist). At present with auction procedures it is clear only entities with the "Big Bucks" own radio and tv. Allowing Newspaper Media to again own radio and TV is a mistake. What radio and TV that has not been bought up by the likes of Clear Channel and Cox will most certainly be bought up by Newspaper Media. Unless major constraints on Newspaper ownership are built into the law, this will seriously curtail widespread editorial content which we have seen in the past. Newspaper ownership should not be allowed for the present but should be reviewed at periodic intervals.

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